

JOHN L. STELEGRAM ANGERS GEN. MILES

Former Army Head Says Ex-Prizefighter Is Still Seeking Notoriety.

ANTI-SALOON ROW GROWS

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 7.—"Some persons never outgrow a habit of going to any end for the sake of notoriety," asserted Gen. Nelson A. Miles here today in reply to the statement of John L. Sullivan in which the ex-prizefighter said in a telegram received here last night that Gen. Miles was "an arrogant, prejudiced, self-centered, strutting old peacock now in his dotage."

The Miles-Sullivan controversy was the principal topic of conversation today among the 5,000 delegates attending the sessions here of the American Anti-Saloon League. Not only does it appear that a serious break among the delegates is imminent.

The former general in chief of the United States army showed his anger over the publication of the Sullivan telegram today. So tense is the situation that formal denials of the receipt of the telegram were prepared by Ernest Chatterton, one of the officers of the league, but W. E. Johnson, another officer, came along and verified the fact as published.

"It was very good of the gentlemen to justify me so thoroughly," said Gen. Miles. "I have nothing to do with the arrangement of the platform; that's all I have to say. Nothing except of course that I haven't changed my mind."

The general, who gained much of his fame as an Indian fighter, glared at a newspaper containing the telegram and then hurled it into a chair as he ended the interview.

Former Governor Eugene Foss of Massachusetts was a speaker to-day. His subject was "The Failure of Regulation in Massachusetts."

Referring to license, Mr. Foss asserted that it was a colossal failure in checking drunkenness. In spite of local option, he said, there had been an increase of 88 per cent. in drunkenness in the last decade and during the same period only a 20 per cent. increase in the population of Massachusetts.

Matthew S. Hughes of Pasadena, Cal., said:

"As long as one State in the Union has the privilege of liquor traffic, you can never stamp out the drink habit."

Mrs. Florence D. Richard of Columbus, Ohio, the only woman speaker on the convention programme, forecast that New Jersey would adopt the equal suffrage amendment next fall, and that "wherever women get the ballot they will wipe out liquor."

Father John J. Curran of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., presiding for the Catholic Protective League, which is meeting with the Anti-Saloon League on individual representation and not by church sanction, said the reason Roman Catholics had stood aloof from prohibition movements and conventions was that they usually waited for the Pope to take the lead in all such matters.

"Naming the Tiger" was the subject of William H. Anderson of New York. State superintendent for the league.

"It was offered the privilege of changing my subject to 'Caging the Tiger,' he said. "I was not the tiger that an elephant, which was not like a donkey. It is not tigers that have been most concerned with but Barnes."

"We now have the liquor traffic on the run and its price is falling on the defensive. Recognizing that the Anti-Saloon League with the help of the nationwide sentiment is now on a winning basis even in the Empire State. The liquor traffickers earnestly desire to secure some kind of protection in the new constitution now being framed at Albany."

"Tammany is a liquor organization straight out and doesn't care who knows it. The Republican organization is about as bad, except that it does care who knows it and is trying to keep the fact from a lot of good church people up State."

COUNTY TO BORROW OFFICIAL.

Cape May, N. J., Has No One Qualified for Prosecutor.

TRENTON, N. J., July 7.—According to the best information obtainable at the State House today Cape May county does not possess a lawyer qualified to be named as prosecutor to succeed Matthew Jefferson, whose conviction of malfeasance automatically vacated the office. The Constitution requires that the prosecutor shall be a counselor at law, and no Cape May county lawyer of the Democratic persuasion is a counselor. The appointment may have to go to a counselor from some other county.

Joshua Stryker of the Attorney-General's staff is now in charge of the office. It was said that Herbert C. Bartlett of Vineland and former Assemblyman J. Russell Carrow of Camden county are candidates.

LIFE SENTENCE FOR SLAYER.

Westervelt Convicted of Killing Elmira Detective.

BINGHAMTON, July 7.—Justice Van Kirk of Greenwich imposed a sentence of life imprisonment to-day on Edward Westervelt of Paterson, N. J., who was found guilty of murder in the second degree for killing Detective Charles Gradwell of Elmira, that city on March 23 last. The trial was held in Broome county after a successful motion for a change of venue.

Westervelt served a term in the Binghamton Reformatory and subsequently was accused of robbing the Erie Railroad station agent at Passaic of more than \$400. For this he served eight months in prison.

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BAKER 'CRYING DRUNK,' MOTHER-IN-LAW SAYS

Mrs. Peter Newell Tells How Artist Insisted That She Kiss Him.

PATERSON, N. J., July 7.—The marital difficulties of Alfred Z. Baker, artist, and his wife, Helen I. Baker, daughter of Peter Newell, a magazine illustrator, were disclosed further to-day at the continuation of the trial for divorce, which both seek, before Vice-Chancellor Stevenson. Baker charges desertion and his wife in a counter suit couples that charge with cruelty.

The introduction of letters that passed between the couple consumed considerable time. Their two children, Helen and Alfred, Jr., are frequently mentioned in the letters. One of the children, it was disclosed, was not born in wedlock.

Mrs. Newell, mother of Mrs. Baker, was the principal witness. She testified that she had seen her son-in-law drunk many times. On Christmas Day, 1911, she said, she saw him "crying drunk."

She had seen him drunk in Nutley, where the couple lived, at meal times. On one of these occasions, she said, Baker bent down his head and kissed her. He had never seen him drunk before her marriage to Baker.

The father of Mrs. Baker was asked if he ever had told his daughter she was a drunkard or he was a drunkard. He said he had told her that before her marriage to Baker. He had not made such a statement since their marriage.

Baker produced as a character witness Dr. Albert S. Johnson of Nutley, who said he had known Baker for five or six years and had never seen him drunk. The physician testified that in 1911 he had been called to attend Mrs. Baker and found her highly nervous. Benjamin Lefferts of Nutley was another character witness. He said he had known Baker since 1909. He had never seen him drunk.

To receive the testimony of a woman witness who lives near Jersey City and is unable to attend court elsewhere, continuation of the trial will take place in Jersey City to-morrow.

SAYS HUSBAND DESERTED HER.

Mrs. Dahlgren Obtains Order for \$100 Alimony.

Mrs. Maud K. Dahlgren of 891 St. John's place, Brooklyn, obtained an order yesterday for \$100 a week alimony pending the trial of her separation action against Winthrop Dahlgren. His present address is the Princeton Club.

The Dahlgrens were married in Boston in 1905 and have three children. In October, 1912, soon after the birth of the last child, Mrs. Dahlgren alleged her husband told her he wished she would obtain a divorce "because he was in financial difficulties and wanted to marry a girl with money."

Subsequently he absented himself from home. Dahlgren denied that he asked for a divorce or wilfully abandoned his wife.

IN ELEVATOR THREE HOURS.

Police, Firemen and Actors Unable to Liberate Captives.

It took three policemen, half a dozen firemen and several hundred actors, to say nothing of a large crowd of curious persons who volunteered advice, nearly three hours to liberate six persons from the elevator in the Broadway Theatre Building, Forty-first street and Broadway, yesterday afternoon.

The car was in charge of William White, a negro, and became stuck between the second and ground floors.

One of the occupants was Robert Harris, brother-in-law of Lew Fields, the comedian. Mr. Fields had an appointment to take him for a motor ride and was waiting outside the theatre. The cable slipped off the drum and became wedged. Nobody in the building seemed to know what to do so the West Thirtieth street police station was notified.

Finally Mr. Fields went on the scene and suggested sending for some one who knew about elevators. "I never thought of that," chorused every individual in the crowd. So a representative of the Otis Elevator Company was sent for and the car was soon on its downward way again.

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Laughs at Report He Will Make His Secretary Head of Prisons.

OSBORN, N. Y., July 7.—Gov. Whitman visited Sing Sing prison for the first time this afternoon, was made an extra guest at Mrs. Walston H. Brown's tea party at the jail, had a long talk with Warden Thomas Mott Osborne and indicated plainly that neither Mr. Osborne nor State Superintendent of Prisons John B. Riley, who are at odds, will lose his job unless one or both shall take a sudden notion and resign.

The Governor's rather sudden visit was due to the quarrel that has arisen between Riley and Osborne which led the Prison Superintendent to declare yesterday that Mr. Osborne had repeatedly disobeyed his orders and had mismanaged things at Sing Sing.

A report that Mr. Whitman would look for Riley's resignation and would appoint his secretary, William A. Orr, to the prison superintendency, brought only hearty laughter from the Governor and Mr. Orr. Mr. Whitman said he was not contemplating giving Mr. Orr Riley's job "immediately."

He did not deny that he had considered him in connection with the job, but said that Orr had always been much interested in prison work.

Charles Becker did not figure in the Governor's visit at all. Mr. Whitman did not enter the death house nor even look through the slide in the door. He did not see Mrs. Becker, who, as often said, was at the prison to-day. He did say that he will commute the death sentence of Mrs. Madeleine Perola, but would not tell when.

Osborne Won't Answer Riley.

Warden Osborne wouldn't reply to Supt. Riley's statement of yesterday: "I will not say a word," declared the warden. "I do not purpose to enter into a controversy with my superior officer in the newspapers. If all the things that Mr. Riley says I am guilty of are true why doesn't he investigate me? I am here to be investigated."

The Governor telephoned from Albany in the morning that he had decided to visit the prison in the afternoon. With Mr. Orr he motored to Ossining, arriving at 3:20. Warden Osborne received him and started with him immediately on a tour of the jail.

The Governor saw first the rooms of the Mutual Welfare League, Warden Osborne's instrument of self-government for the convicts. One of the officers of the league gave him a watch box with the league button on it, and Mr. Whitman put it on.

Out in the yard the Governor was widely recognized. As he explained afterward, "About 75 per cent. of the people here are old acquaintances—I will not say old friends—of mine." And despite the fact that Mr. Whitman is responsible for the presence of most of that 75 per cent. at Sing Sing the convicts gave him a fair sized cheer.

The Governor viewed with interest the shops and the dungeon-like cellblock.

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